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- On 18 June 1953 it was observed that the Köthen airfield was in an alert status.
 At least 44 MiG 15 aircraft were either in revetments or dispersed over the field.
 Motor vehicles were under camouflage mats. All the hangars were open and vacant.
- 2. On 16 June all the U-MiG-15's (reported to number 13) were observed to have left the Bautzen airfield. The field was still unoccupied up to 19 June.

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1. Comment: This situation indicates that the Russians were ready to meet possible air attacks, at the time of the disorders in Berlin and the Russian zone.

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